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Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade

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NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6.

1.	Member to Agreement notifying: <u>THAILAND</u> If applicable, name of local government involved (Articles 3.2 and 7.2):
2.	Agency responsible: Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Ministry of Public Health Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:
3.	Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [], 5.6.2 [], 5.7.1 [], other:
4.	Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): HS Chapter 2008, ICS: 67.080.20 (Vegetables and derived products)
5.	Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document: Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No.245) B.E.2544(2001) Labelling of Food Containing Aloe (1 page, available in Thai language).
6.	Description of content: The Notification of the Ministry of Public Health (No.160) B.E.2538(1995) Re: Display of Label of Food Containing Aloe dated 17 February B.E.2538(1995) is withdrawn. This ministerial notification prescribes that in relation to labelling, food containing aloe shall conform to the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health regarding Labelling and the notifications especially issued for such food. The label of food containing aloe shall contain additional following statements: "Should not be taken by children", "Not medical food" and "Stop consumption when there appears abnormal symptoms", in red letters of a size not smaller than 2 mm which must be clearly visible in a rectangular frame and the colour of the frame shall be in contrast with that of the label background. Licences for food labelling issued prior to the enforcement of this ministerial notification will still be valid for not more than 2 years. Producers or importers who received licences prior to the enforcement of this ministerial notification must apply for food serial number within one year after this ministerial notification comes into force. Upon submitting the application, the former labels can still be valid for not more than 2 years.
7.	Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Consumer protection.

8.	Relevant documents: Publication in which the notification is published when adopted: - Government Gazette, Vol.118, Special Part 103 ngor, dated 16 October 2001
9.	Proposed date of adoption: 16 October 2001 Proposed date of entry into force: 17 October 2001
10.	Final date for comments: -
11.	Texts available from: National enquiry point [X] or address, telephone and fax numbers, e-mail and web-site addresses, if available of the other body: Food Control Division Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Thanon Tiwanond, Amphoe Muang, Nonthaburi 11000, Thailand Tel: (66 2) 590-7214 Fax: (66 2) 591-8476